



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03806.0389-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Veronique BLANC et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1625  
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Application No.: 09/987,614 ) Examiner: B. Robinson  
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Filed: November 15, 2001 )  
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For: STREPTOGRAMINS AND )  
METHODS FOR PREPARING )  
SAME BY MUTASYNTHESIS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2003, the period for response having been extended to March 16, 2004, by a request and fee payment filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims found at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.